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In re application of: Jiang Li

Application No.: 10/620,715

Group No.: 1723

Filed: 07/16/2003

Examiner: Fortuna, A.M.

For: Defect Free Composite Membranes, Method for Producing Said Membranes and Use of the Same

RESPONSE UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP

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2. Applicant is a small entity A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required as this is a Supplemental Response. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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No additional fee for claims is required.

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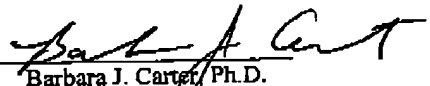
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -
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SUPPLEMENT TO RESPONSE C**

Dear Sir:

Applicant would first like to thank Examiner Fortuna for the telephone interviews of July 18, 2006 and the helpful discussions which ensued. Further to that telephone interview, Applicant requests that the following amendments and arguments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on p. 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.